

REMARKS

Claims 1-19 remain in this application. Reconsideration of the application is requested.

The amendments appearing above take into consideration the comments provided by the Examiner in the first paragraph on page 2 of the Office Action. The passage orifice referred to in claims 1, 6, 8, and 12 is an orifice in the front carrying structure and, in the embodiment of the invention illustrated, is indicated by reference number 44.

Claims 6, 8, 12, 14, and 18 are rewritten above in the manner referred to by the Examiner on page 6 of the Office Action and should now be allowable.

Reconsideration of the rejection of various claims under 35 U.S.C. §102(b) as being anticipated by U.S. Patent 2,715,448 to Zeeb is requested.

Each of independent claims 1, 13, and 15 is amended above to reflect the particular cooperation between guides and heat exchanger module opposite end regions. Independent claims 17 and 19 are similarly amended to specify pushing such opposite end regions between such guides. It is respectfully submitted that currently amended claims 1, 13, 15, 17, and 19 are no longer anticipated by the Zeeb patent as a result. Brackets 122 of the Zeeb construction are considered by the Examiner to constitute end regions as recited. The Zeeb construction, however, does not have guides adapted to engage around these brackets 122 as claims 1, 13, and 15 define, and nothing in the Zeeb disclosure suggests that the brackets 122 are

pushed between such guides as claims 17 and 19 define. It follows that none of claims 1, 13, 15, 17, and 19 is now anticipated by the Zeeb construction.

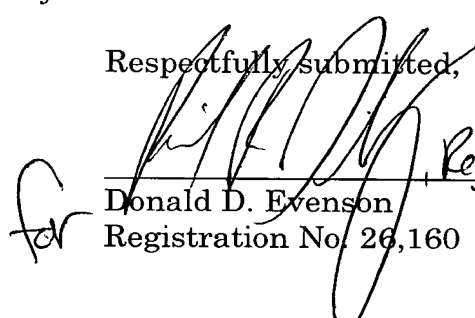
U.S. Patent 5,271,473 to Ikeda et al. is relied on by the Examiner in combination with the Zeeb patent in a rejection of dependent claims 2, 3, 7, and 9. The Ikeda et al. patent, however, does not suggest modifying the Zeeb construction so as to meet the limitations in claims 1, 13, 15, 17, and 19 discussed above. Each of claims 1, 13, 15, 17, and 19, therefore, is patentable. Dependent claims 2-5, 7, and 9-11 are patentable as well. All claims presently in this application, therefore, are now patentable.

This application is now in condition for allowance. Should the Examiner have any questions after considering this Reply, the Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned attorney.

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